

2009 Market Barrow Division Rules

- 1 All barrow entries will be subject to the General Rules of the WCFA.
- 2 Both purebred and crossbred barrows may be shown in the division.
- 3 A. Barrows will be kept in pens provided.
B. Locking of pens will not be allowed and pens will be chosen first come first serve.
C. Barrows must be in pens to reserve pens.
- 4 Exhibitors must own barrows on/or before the second Thursday during the month of December of the year preceding the published Fair dates.
- 5 The tag-in will be held at the Walker County Fairgrounds between the hours of 4:30 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. on the second Thursday of the month of December preceding the published Fair dates and will be the only date on which barrows will be tagged with official WCFA tags and ear-notch identifications and breeds recorded. **Exhibitors should be prepared to show proof of ownership at this time if requested. (See Rule #4.)** Any barrows not displaying ear-notches will be properly ear-notched.
- 6 A. FFA and 4-H members may select the barrows of their choice to feed in the program. The exhibitor may purchase and have tagged as many barrows as desired, but only one barrow may be weighed-in and shown.
B. If more than one member of a family is eligible to exhibit barrows, then the family may tag as many alternate (family) barrows as there are exhibitors. (Immediate family only). **For Example:** The Brown family has two exhibitors. They must tag at least one barrow in each exhibitor's name. Then they may validate two more barrows in the family name, and either of the exhibitors may show either of these alternate barrows. Exhibitors may show only barrows validated in their names or an alternate barrow validated in the family name.
7. Only those barrows displaying official WCFA tags will be allowed to weigh-in and show. If this tag is accidentally removed from the barrow's ear, an exhibitor should immediately notify the Swine Committee Chairman in order that he may re-tag the animal and verify the recorded information.
8. To be eligible for show, barrows must weigh between 220 and 270 pounds at the time of the weigh-in with **zero tolerance**.
9. The weight of the barrows must be naturally consumed weight. No drawing of pigs with Lasix or other drugs will be allowed on premises. Also, no adding of weight by water hoses or drenching tools will be allowed. Any violators of this rule will be subject to automatic disqualification by the WCFA Swine Committee.
10. A. On the date of the official weigh-in barrows **will not be allowed to be unloaded before 6:00 a.m.**
B. Weighing of barrows will start promptly at 3:00 p.m. and end at 6:00 p.m. No barrows will be weighed after 6:00 p.m. Official scales will be designated by the WCFA Swine Committee, and only one time across the scales will be permitted.
11. Barrows will be divided into four classes as follows:
 - 1 Light weight
 - 2 Medium weight
 - 3 Light Heavy weight
 - 4 Heavy weight

Classes will be determined following the official weigh-in. Additional classes may be added at the discretion of the Swine Committee.
12. The committee chairman, or a designated representative, will reserve the right to verify ear-notch identification numbers against corresponding recorded ear-notch numbers. Should ear-notches not correspond to those, or should any noticeable alterations be present, the animal will be disqualified by

vote of the Swine Committee.

13. The barrows will be judged and ranked 1 through 15 and these 15 barrows will be sold at auction in order of placement. Appropriate ribbons and trophies will be given.
14. Judges decisions will be final.
15. All non-placing barrows will be released subject to General Rule #3.
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17. Showmanship Classes:
 1. Juniors 9 years to 13 years.
 2. Seniors 14 years to 19 years.All exhibitors will be eligible to compete in Showmanship classes.
18. The use of oils in the ring during the Swine Show will not be permitted.
19. The use of hay or straw will not be permitted for bedding. Only wood shavings will be permitted.
20. No FANS will be allowed in Swine Exhibit Area without prior approval from Swine Committee Chairman.